

*HARTFORD* – Congressman John B. Larson (CT-01) and Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs Tammy Duckworth will participate in a forum hosted by the Partnership for Strong Communities on homelessness among veterans in Connecticut.

As a former Black Hawk pilot, Assistant Secretary Duckworth brings a unique understanding and experience to the Department of Veterans' Affairs. While serving in Iraq, Asst. Secretary Duckworth's aircraft was shot down by insurgents, and as a result she lost both legs and the partial use of one arm. She has since received multiple decorations for her service, including a Purple Heart, the Air Medal and the Combat Action Badge.

The event's official title, "The Goal from Here: Ending Homelessness Among Veterans in Connecticut," will feature remarks from Maj. Duckworth and a panel discussion with leaders from across the state involved in addressing veterans homelessness in Connecticut.

The event is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend.

**WHO:** U.S. Congressman John B. Larson  
Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs Tammy Duckworth

Partnership for Strong Communities

**WHEN:** Monday, April 18, 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

**WHERE:** The Lyceum Resource and Conference Center  
227 Lawrence Street  
Hartford, CT 06106

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